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The following letter was received today by Mr. Henry M. Moss, the Canadian Pacific Irrigation and Colonization Coy.'s inspector of Agencies for the Western States. It speaks for itself.

Alwein, Iowa, Sept. 24, 1909.
Mr. Henry M. Moss.

Dear Friend,
I will have to beg your indulgence for wishing to change my mind about selling the land at present. I have a son that has always derided the idea of going to Canada and offered all kinds of objections especially the idea of an old man going to a new country to freeze on the wild lone some prairie—but now he wishes to go himself, and wants land joining his sisters. So I would rather not sell until he sees whether he can get it. I don't mind my wish him to have part or all of mine.

I can't change my mind about Canada land. It is actually worth one hundred dollars per acre, and I want what I can get while it is cheap. Miss J. told me of a piece of land in Calgary you told her of. I think it must be a bargain. I will be busy for a time working deeds for lots and business connected with the sale. After that I shall feel like seeing sunny Southern Alberta again. Sister says we will all be there next spring with the daisies.

DADDIE.

The writer of this letter is an old gentleman of considerable wealth who recently travelled over the Bow Valley district with Mr. Moss, and purchased some land.

Runaway Accidents.

Mr. R. McCann had a thrilling experience on Tuesday. A team of horses hitched to a wagon bolted, and he had the misfortune to be on board at the time. They made a dash around the back of the town, shedding parts of the wagon all the way along, and as they neared the north side of the town Mr. McCann was being by face down and holding on to the boards. Just before coming to the railway line he was thrown out, but fortunately sustained only slight injuries. The horses proceeded a distance of nine miles with the wheels of the wagon behind them.

Another runaway, which had a rather humorous side, occurred on Friday night. When a horse attached to a light rig ran off and careered through the town at a great pace. When it came to the heavy fence on the opposite side of the street from the King Edward it made a leap clear over it, but the rig refused to follow, and the horse was left on one side and the rig on the other. Willing helpers seen upon the harness unfastened and it was released from its position, apparently not much the worse.

A Literary Society For Strathmore

SEVERAL SPEAKERS HAVE
ALREADY BEEN SECURED.

At no distant date Strathmore will be the richer by the formation of a literary society, though the details are not so far fixed. Rev. Mr. Heslop, of the Methodist Church, is taking a prominent part in its organization, and he has already received from Rev. Mr. Kerby, of Calgary, a promise to deliver an illustrated twilight lecture some time during the winter, and Rev. Mr. Howen, Langdon, has also consented to deliver a lecture.

Mr. Heslop is in hopes that it may be possible to establish a Y.M.C.A. here or an organization of that nature.

Ill-treating His Wife

A Naval man, Frank Witsed, was taken up to Calgary, district court on Thursday on a charge of ill-treating his wife. He was brought before Judge Mitchell, but in consideration of the fact that he had been six weeks awaiting trial was released on his own recognizance to keep the peace.

IF YOU WANT to buy a lot or a farm, see J. W. Waddy. If you want to sell a lot or a farm, see J. W. Waddy.

Selling Liquor to Indians.

BLACK MAN PUTS TWO INDIANS ON THE JAG—IS FINE.

An life change of spirituous commodities at Strathmore between representatives of the black and copper-colored races has led to conspicuous results for all concerned.

The commencement of the trouble was when a report was received that two Indians were doing a war whoop about two miles out of town, and had a fearful jag on generally. Officer J. H. Irvine, of the R.N.W.M.P., went out and secured them a ter a great deal of trouble, but with the assistance of Mr. Lloyd got leg-irons on them and took them to town. After a bit they were brought up on trial and fined \$10 apiece or 21 days' imprisonment.

That was the first part of the story. Inquiries were made, and it was found that a black man named William Robinson, who had been about town for some time previous, had bought half-a-dozen bottles of whisky, at the local bar, and the couple of selling drink to the Indians who, by the way, repeated in the euphonious terms of Black Face and Eagle Tail Feather, was traced to him. He was rounded up in Strathmore on Tuesday, and the same afternoon was brought before Judge Laycock of Glenhead and Lambert of Strathmore, and fined \$50 or two months' imprisonment with hard labor. He chose the labor part of it, and is now doing his time in Calgary Barracks.

Strathmore Grain and Produce Fair

Arrangements are well under way for a grain and produce exhibit to be held under the Strathmore branch of the United Farmers of Alberta. The exhibit will be held in Lloyd's Hall on Saturday, Oct. 23.

Superintendents of the various departments are as follows:

Grains, H. B. Seaman.
Vegetables, F. Voss.
Women's Department Mrs. F. E. McElroy.
Premium lists will be issued early next week. Entry will be open to all and there will be no entry fees. Outside points are especially invited to exhibit.

The management hope that all will take hold, our entry, and help make the exhibit one which will uphold our faith in our Bow River Valley soil and climate.

Salvationists Colony For Strathmore

120 COLONISTS COMING OUT FROM ENGLAND NEXT SPRING.

Sometime ago the Salvation Army bought a tract of ground of the C. P. & C. Co. about nine miles north of Strathmore, and a party of which fences and buildings have already been erected by fee company, land plowed and sown with fall wheat.

Capt. Thos. Coombs stated the other day that it was the intention of the Salvation Army to establish a colony there. Adjutant D. P. Macrae, accompanied by Major Wilfred Gordon, will leave in a few days to look over the property.

Adjutant Macrae, who is an old-time Albian, is a practical farmer, and has taken upon himself the responsibility of bringing out 120 colonists from London next April. It is the intention to adopt part of farming on the property and it is planned to produce a large amount of vegetables and dairy produce.

The irrigation company has sunk a number of wells, planted trees, and put in order generally for the reception of the colonists.

The Salvation Army has already colonies in various parts of the world producing successfully, and it is to be hoped that the Albian colony will have a like or greater success.

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After the 15th inst., unless favored with a special permit from the C. P. & C. Co., landseekers will be allowed to purchase no more than 160 acres of irrigable land, though they may still secure any amount of non-irrigable land. This should do much to promote the development of the district.

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Our First Issue.

The first issue of the "STRATHMORE AND BOW VALLEY STANDARD," published on Tuesday last, met with an instant success, and for this we have to thank the public of Strathmore and district very heartily. We had felt for some time past that the rapid increase in the population of the town and district warranted the establishment of a newspaper devoted to its interests, and the reception given our first issue has confirmed us in that opinion.

We have also to thank the Press of Alberta for the favourable nature of their criticism of our first issue.

We regret that owing to delay in the arrival of an engine to drive the large and modern Wharfedale printing press installed, we were unable to publish on the day for which the paper was dated, but hope soon to have that obstacle removed, and be in a position to publish regularly every Saturday.

Last week's issue was not, of course, perfect—far from it—and it will be some weeks before we are in a position to cover the whole of the local and district news, but we hope that in the meantime our readers will "Be to our faults a little blind," "And to our virtues, very kind."

Literary Club Wanted.

A movement is on foot at present in Strathmore for the commencement of a literary club, and it is a movement which commands our hearty support. The long nights of winter are almost upon us, and the question may be asked—What facilities are provided in Strathmore for intellectual improvement and mental recreation?

Strathmore is essentially a young town's town, and therefore a literary club is more than ever necessary. The syllabus could be composed of lectures, essays, debates, etc., with an occasional social evening. There is one point about a literary club, and that is that it does not require much financing, and there is no need to go round the community hat in hand soliciting in its support. A membership fee of \$1 per year would cover all ordinary expenses.

There should be no difficulty in securing a hall, and we understand that the local Methodist minister, Rev. Mr. Heslop, has already offered the use of his church to the young men of the town. All that is now required is someone to take the initiative in forming the society.

Since writing the above we understand Mr. Heslop has taken active steps in the formation of a literary society.

Temperance Reform.

In the literal sense it may be said that Fortune does not smile on the brewer and the retailer of strong liquor, judging from the remarks made at the meeting in the Methodist Church on Tuesday by a gentleman of that name, the Rev. W. G. W. Fortune, but again, if his remarks on the 75 per cent. profits made by the trade are true, then fortune in the abstract sense does certainly smile upon them. Mr. Fortune, who is field secretary of the Alberta Moral

and Temperance Reform League, arrived at Strathmore during the earlier part of the present week and while here spoke to some considerable extent on the subject of temperance, and was listened to with attention.

The general objects of the League which Mr. Fortune represents are of the best—the well-being of the people of the province—and they therefore command general sympathy and support, though many question whether the means they propose are practical, and whether they will have the effect desired. Prohibition of the sale of liquor is the object of the League, and they say in effect, if this be accomplished, all would be well. This may be so, but it is to be feared that human nature is too frail to be altered much by the abolition of drinking, even if that were possible. It lies with each individual to keep himself or herself temperate and moral, and no Act of the Legislature will accomplish it.

In so far, then, as the League aims at elevating the individual, it has the support of everyone who has the good of the community at heart, but the closing down of drink saloons and breweries without a corresponding moral elevation on the part of the drinkers would do no good, and only result in the sale of bad spirits in underhand ways, which it would result in the ruin of many respectable citizens. Temperance is a word distinct from prohibition, and it means temperance in language as well as in drinking.

A branch of the League is in existence in Strathmore, and if its work is done sanely and vigorously, should be a good influence in the town and district. Institutions like the League are necessary, and deserve support.

Successful Supper.

YOUNG STRATHMORE MEN HOLD SOCIAL IN DIXON & ELLIS'S.

It was a happy thought that induced several of the young men of Strathmore to consider the idea of holding social supper parties at intervals during the winter months. The first of what it is expected will be a series was held in Messrs. Dixon & Ellis's on Thursday evening, and proved a very successful affair.

Mr. George Lloyd, of the King Edward Hotel, was an invited guest, and acted as chairman, while among others present were Messrs. J. J. Tray, R. A. Hartley, F. Menzies, J. H. Max, J. Martin, T. Wright, Glemis, J. B. Carey, H. Morris, H. Wright, J. MacKenzie, Wilson, R. Hill, J. Owen, J. McGarry, J. W. Waddy, O. J. Evans, and R. Henry.

Mr. Lloyd, in his opening remarks, said it gave him great pleasure to be present that evening, and to preside over such a happy gathering. He could see plainly that the spirit of good fellowship animated them all, and he hoped that the present would be the precursor of many other gatherings of a similar nature.

A sumptuous repast was then provided by Mr. Ellis, and the following toasts were honored—"The King," responded by Mr. J. W. Waddy; "President of the United States," Mr. McGarry; "The Press," Mr. MacKenzie; and "The Ladies," Mr. Menzies.

Afterwards an enjoyable time was spent with song and sentiment, and it was not till an early hour in the morning that the company dispersed with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne," and the National Anthem.

Towards the close much entertainment was provided by the singing of plantation songs and con dancing by Bill, the black waiter, and two of the "dusky Diamonds" of the establishment.

Great credit is due to Mr. Ellis for the manner in which he purveyed, and Thursday night's supper will still further enhance his already good reputation as a caterer.

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FRANK F. McELHOES, Strathmore.

Alberta

Many Landseekers Arrive This Week

The present week has been quite a busy one in Strathmore with the presence of a large number of landseekers from the central and western States, who have been induced to come by the reports received from friends already in the district and by the advertising campaign of the irrigation company, and by the special excursion rates offered by the railway companies. Their curiosity having been aroused they determined to make the excursion and see for themselves, and the consequence is that during almost the whole year there are parties arriving, and for the last few weeks settlers have been particularly active.

In nearly every case these visitors confess that the actual conditions of the soil came fully up to what had been reported and the consequence is that they make extensive purchases of irrigated land.

With the parties visiting Strathmore and the Bow Valley this week is Mr. A. B. Braddock, inspector of agencies, Chicago. Mr. Braddock has done quite a lot of travelling with these excursions and he comes up to Strathmore on an average about once a fortnight. He has a very wide knowledge, therefore, of the conditions in the district, and the opinions of the landseekers, and finds them all thoroughly delighted with the Bow Valley. Most of them state it to be much better land than that which they have in the states and the difference in price of the Bow Valley land they characterize as remarkable. It is much easier to induce American farmers to remove over to Canada than it is to get the old country farmers to do so, the principal reason being that the American has not been so long in the same spot, and is usually with in his recollection that his parents moved into the land he is at present occupying. "The British farmer on the other hand," states Mr. Braddock, "has been so long in the one place that it takes an enormous amount of persuasion to move him from it."

Mr. Braddock has a high opinion of the American farmer and the manner in which he handles his land and is naturally pleased at the success which is attending the efforts of the C. P. I. C. Co's organization in getting men from the States up to view the land.

Another important official of the company, Mr. H. M. Moss, who controls the organization at Spokane, was in Strathmore on Friday and is also conducting a party around the district. Mr. Moss, like Mr. Braddock, has had much success in bringing large numbers from the States this year. Both gentlemen state, however, that this year's traffic will be nothing to what will prevail next season. We publish in another column a letter which Mr. Moss has received from an American gentleman whom he had the pleasure of showing the district sometime ago.

A special car was lying at Strathmore for several days toward the end of the week with a number of landseekers.

It is reported locally, though we are unable to confirm it, that a very large party of American settlers with wives and children and household effects will unload at Strathmore next week on their way to farms on the Rosebud creek.

This week has been a busy one at the two local elevators, the Alberta Pacific and Imperial, and large quantities of grain have been brought in from the surrounding district. Up to the present week, though threshing was in full swing, very little grain was being received.

His many friends here will congratulate Mr. Jos. Van Tighem on his appointment as manager of the local Union Bank. Up to this week Mr. Tighem was in the position of acting manager.

The most remarkable thing about Strathmore this week or two past has been the number of runaway accidents.

Letter to the Editor

Strathmore Oct. 8, 1909.
Editor Standard—In reply to your inquiry I would say your figures regarding my yield of potatoes were even a little under the mark. From a patch of ground 40x550 feet, I dug 187 headed bushel crates, this being at the rate of 385 bushels per acre. The largest tuber weighed 2 lbs. 9 ozs., and the largest smooth potato 2 1/2 pounds.

Although I had no land broken until this spring, my vegetables have all yielded ahead of anything I have ever seen. Needless to say, I am more than pleased with a years experience in Sunny Alberta.
Frederick W. Schettler.

Local Jottings.

Dr. Barrow, Provincial Health Inspector, from Edmonton, paid Strathmore an official visit yesterday.

Mr and Mrs Hill, of Langdon, returned to Strathmore yesterday after a few days' antelope hunt. Mrs Hill was successful in landing four fine specimens.

Dr. Girvin drove from Strathmore to Calgary and back on Thursday.

A son arrived at the home of Mr and Mrs Johnson, Brusby Lake, yesterday morning.

Mr and Mrs Zwick, Cheadle, are the happy parents of a little boy since last Saturday.

Mr and Mrs C. Waddy, are also the proud parents of a little boy since Thursday morning.

Mr J. W. Waddy received a letter from a Tennessee man the other day, in the course of which he predicted that there would be a big bunch of arrivals from there next spring.

The Alberta Pacific elevator received 2000 bushels on Wednesday, which is claimed by the manager, Mr Lely, to constitute a local record.

Mr J. R. McDonald left for Manitoba on Thursday night on a visit to her people. She expects to be away about a couple of months.

Mr McDonald had twenty tons of hay destroyed recently by a prairie fire. His house had a narrow escape.

Mr Holes and family went out shooting yesterday, and remained out several days.

A special car with Mr Marpole, of Vancouver, and party, lay at Strathmore several days this week. Shooting was the objective.

Mr William Verst, owner of several sections to the north of the town, was in the district this week with the object of looking over fresh buys.

An important addition to Strathmore businesses takes place today, when Messrs Downie & Salmon open their new store. They have installed a fine stock of groceries and provisions and are also devoting a counter to the sale of boots and shoes of which they have a large and high class assortment. Messrs. Downie & Salmon have been handicapped by the non-arrival of the plate glass for their windows, but have determined to open even though it does not arrive in time. The interior of the store is very well arranged and presents a pleasant and attractive appearance.

Mrs S. Firth and family arrived in town this week to join her husband, coming from Gleichen. Mr Firth has now made Strathmore his headquarters, and is taking up residence here.

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